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How bitter a thing it is to look into happiness through another man's eyes.

—As You Like, it.

Virginia's Rate Regulation Law. In discussing the Hepburn rate-regulabill. Senator Tillman is reported

he question of adding to the provi w in the bill for a judicial re the findings of the Interstat the Commission," continued Mr sion how in the bit of the Interstate Commerce Commission," continued Mr. Tillman, "should be approached very cautiously. In the first place a decision of the commission has the same standing as an act of Congress. No court would undertake to mullify an act of Congress pending an appeal unless it should take a high-handed course. I can see no reason why a decision of the commission should be set aside pending an appeal in the courts. Any proposition to set aside such a decision pending action by the courts will receive the strongest opposition I can give it, for one. No one seeks, and certainly I do not, to deny the railroads the right to appeal to

Appeals. It is provided that oneal shall be taken in the manwhich appeals may be taken to

of an appeal, a writ of superse-

tion of their property, the rail der the Hepburn bill would have the right to go into court for protection. But if the rate, in the mean time, had taken effect, the road might be ruined before the court could intervene.

We commend the Virginia law to Sena tor Tillman and his associates in Congress. Its operation has been very satisfactory in this State to the general public, if not to the railroads.

The Irrepressibleness of Bigelow.

A jaunty, debonnair and undepressable purveyor of Truth, more or less pure, Mr. Poultney Bigelow. Even the weight of a Taft does not suffice to hold his lid down. Recently emerged from a situation which would have made the average man somewhat reticent as to his opinions for the future, Mr. Bigelow, on the con trary, gives every evidence of undiminished confidence in himself. He made an address a night or two ago, which proved conclusively that the Panama Capal is not being managed in the way that he personally would prefer. The administration means well, but it does not understand the situation in quite the

way that Bigelow does. Mr. Bigelow spent forty-eight hours in the canal zone once, and found out a lot of things, which he later hal difficulty in establishing as hard fact before a senatorial investigation commission. That investigative body represented Mr. Bigelow's chance to qualify as a trustworthy He falled to do so. Rather, to the disappointment of a good many people, he seemed unable to produce any great amount of evidence to show that he knew what he was talking about, and he places, if all men and women would but left the witness stand with a somewhat dislocated reputation.

We are no particular apologists for the existing canal administration, but it In Sunday's issue of The Times-Dis-seems evident that Mr. Bigelow, when patch, Dr. S. C. Mitchell published an

tunity to make out a case against it, quite falled to do so. Under the circumstances, the role of authoritative canal expert martyred by Washingtonian prejudice, does not particularly become him.

The Public Library and the Schools.

The schools of Richmond need a public library. Without it they can never reach their highest degree of usefulness.

As no military organization would be complete without its arsenal, and as the success of its battles would often depend branch of the service, so no educational be expended in vain, unless the library co-operate with and supplement the educational work of the school,

Richmond is the centre of a grat com pelling force for better education, and it is discouraging to note that she seems to have left out of her calculations one of the most vital factors towards the highest attainment of success.

What is all this education for? Is it not largely to equip our boys and girls to fight the battle of life? Is it not so to arm them that they can successfully compete with the young men and young women of other States?

If these are our fundamental reason for education, then we should use every means in our power to accomplish their purpose in the most economical and thor. ough manner.

than we are, can give us some lessons

Mr. Barrett Wendell, a professor of Harvard, and the first American who lish literature at an English university ference between the breadth of the eduthe English boy. He is brought up with to the public library for his recreation reading habit which seems to be lacking in Virginia, and which it is the function teacher, to create.

One of the difficulties in our school has always been the slavish adherence to the particular text that may be in the pupil's

seldom had the broad view that comes ing the viewpoint of each.

It is worth while to compare opinions to marshal authorities and to do some hard reasoning, and this is precisely what library. Not only will the child's knowledge of the text under study be more books from which he has drawn treasacquire the habit of turning to the library for instruction.

The habit thus formed and the tast thus acquired will be of infinitely mor value than his entire course of study; for the latter will be in part or in wholforgotten, but the former will stay with

Dining Off Chemicals.

Professor Dr. Thomas B. Stillman, of Steven's Institute, New-York, has created somtehing new in the way of gastronomic ner, and its peculiarity is that it is wholly made up of dishes which appear to be something different from what they

The ploneer synthetique grew out of a of adulterated edibles. Dr. Stillman un dertook to give a dinner consisting wholly of "mode" victuals. The dinner came off

courses long, in restaurant French. 1 led off with martini cocktails, which looked natural but weren't. The profes sor made them himself of absinthing d'aniline. The guests drank them the regular, unscientific way, and no that accompanied the very mock turtle soup were excellent eating, but they were very far from being the sort of things that mother used to make, Or the contrary, they were chemically constructed from fecule, cream of tartar saccharine, bicarbonate of soda and hand-made milk, and so on all along the line. The splendid looking white Burgundy was only a cunning compound of 'acide malique, tartare, alcohol, ether antique and glucine." Elegant crem le menthe, made of many strange fluids distilled by 250 volts of electricity, pleas-

antly topped off the meal. The dinner, as we have said, was pronounced success. The synthetic cock tails worked divinely and prandial goodhumor ran high. Just what it all proved we don't exactly know beyond the a ready well-known fact that chemistry professors can be very good mixers when they try.

Isn't it strange that fairly decen nen and women make a display of their bad manners in public? .If they didn't know any better one might make xcuses for them. But they do know better, for when they go visiting they behave well enough. They like to have it said of them that they have polite manners, yet when they go to public places, they are as gruff as bears and as selfish and inconsiderate as pigs. They seem to think that nobody car notice their behavior in public, but they are vastly mistaken. Somebody takes notice and judges their disposition and breeding by their conduct in public keep this fact well in mind, there would be an improvement in public manners.

he had a golden and unexampled oppor- admirable review of Mr. Churles Marshall

Graves' "Selected Poems and Tales of Edgar Allan Poe." In to-day's paper we publish a letter on the same subject from Professor J. C. Metcalf, of the Both are deserved tributes to the zenl and industry of Mr. Graves. The volume which he has prepared is a valuable contribution to literature, and will be a convenience and pleasure to those who love so well to read and reread the noems and prose compositions of this Southern

Senator Tillman says it is a "nonpartisan measure." Tillman championing a non-partisan measure! Were you ever jolted?

How does "Roosevelt and Tillman" strike you for 1908?

The Vanderbilts are not in favor of Italian imigration. Score another fine Sunday for Rich-

Graves's Edition of Poe

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Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—It is entirely fitting that a Richmond man should edit a selection from Poe's works. This volume, moreover, appears just at a time when its editor. Mr. Charles Marshall Graves, has aroused an increasing public interest in a Poe monument in this city. The appearance of the book is, therefore, in several ways timely. Mr. Graves evidently writes out of a head full of knowledge about Poe and a heart full of admiration for his rare genius; and the little volume gives evidence of being indeed a labor of love. Perfect familiarity with the several Poe haunts in Richmond is shown throughout the introduction, a fact which gives it an attractive local flavor. This, no doubt, will add to the usefulness of the book in the Richmond schools and to the local reader.

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But aside from this feature the introduction delightfully sums up the life, wanderings and struggles of Poe in what may be described as a sympathetically just spirit. The critical notice following is a good piece by appreciation. To these are added a chronological outline of Poe's life and a bibliography.

The selections include, besides the poems, the following tales: Morella, Fall of the House of Usher, Musque of the Red Death, Eleonora, Fig. 1914-1913. These tales, it will be perceived, are addingly representative of Poe's fictional powers. No doubt it is difficult to choose where there is such an embarrassment of

great figures in nineteenth century liter-ature. He has done a real service for the promotion of artistic ideals and for the advancement of literary study. J. C. METCALF.

Richmond College.

Mr. Massie's Fight.

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Mr. Massic made a gallant fight for his bill to introduce the Torrens system of land registration in Virginia, and deserved a better fate than hefell him the House of Delegates last Friday. The refusal of that hody to engross the measure kills it for the present session at least, and perhaps greatly cripples its prospects in the future. Mr. Massie, nowever, is not discouraged, but proposes to keep up the agitation, which he says is educational in its character. The persistent agitation may cause the public to pause and consider, and eventually to understand the importance and the value of this reform to land-owners and the business interests of the State generally. Apparently Mr. Massie thinks it will, and is therefore willing to further sacrifice himself for the good of the cause. Healt is difficult to imagine what Mr. Healt is difficult to imagine whether the sacrifice has not already said and supported with clear logic and irredutable facts. We have never seen a subject more thoroughly threshed out in all its detail, or abler discussed at all points than this Torrens system of land registration bill has been by Mr. Massie, and we are utterly unable to understand on what ground of sound public policy its engrossment was refused by the House of Delegates. The arguments against the measure, so far as they have been made or convincing, and we have not satisfactorily was not compulsor, was in all respects expedient, wise and proper. The measure, if made into a law, would have been tested in these respects by its friends, and its opponents would have had the benefit of their experience either to accept it afterwards if it seemed to be practicable and good, or to condemn it if it seemed to be vicious and inexpedient. It was entirely optional with land-owners to use if or not as they saw fit. It cannot be that members of the Legislature did not understand this, and understanding it, it is difficult to conceive why they did not give the people of Virginia an opportunity to test the value of the system at least. Of course, we impute no sinister motives to members that voted against the bill, but it will be incumbent upon them to show very good reason for their votes in this matter.—Index-Appeal.

THIS DAY INHISTORY February 26th.

1804—The manufacture of bricks by ma-chinery was successfully begun. 1829—The number of Indians in the United States officially estimated by the War Department at 313,130.

1833—The spasmodic coolera appeared at Havana, and in about one month from that time had destroyed 7,000 persons.

1854—Three shocks of an earthquake at Manchester, Ky., by which the houses were violently shaken

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1855—The sword worn by General Jackson presented to Congress.
1863—A train of twenty-eight cars on the Louisville and Nashville Raliroad captured by the Confederates at Woodburn, Ky., and destroyel
1865—It was reported that Lee had gone south to operate against Shorman, leaving Joe Johnston in command at Richmond, Va.

Richmond, Va.

1869—The fifteenth amendment to the
Constitution, giving the right of suffrage to all citizens of the republic,
without regard to race, color or previous condition, recommended by a
joint resolution of Congress; it is
subsequently ratified by the requisite
number of States.

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The force bill being fought over in

Views of the Virginia Editors

A Contemporary's Enterprise

The Public's Rights.

A Republican Estimate.

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Before his inauguration Governor Swanson declared that he desired to be the best Governor that Virginia has ever had, in his inaugural address he declared that the time had come when partisan politics should cease to control in Virginia. It he will honestly and earnestly endeavor to bring about this desired condition and succeeds in the effort, he will then be one of the best, if not the hest, Governors the State has ever had.—Tazewell Republican.

A Sensible System at Last.

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If the Lassiter-Where shill for improving the public roads of the State shall become a law it will be present the way for a sensible, substantial, permanent system of converting our wretched county roads into excellent, comfortable, creditable highways of travel and transportation; will be a sensible system in place of the absurd one we are accustomed to; it will be a substantial one in place of a superficial; it will be a permanent improvement instead of a temporary and evanescent one. The present plan of dumping diri

Merely Joking.

His Desire.—'I suppose you expect to move your auditors by your eloquence." "That isn't my object," answered the young orator. "I will be thankful if I can keep them in their seats."—Wash-ington Star.

Always With Us,—"I see that the metal bed and spring combine has advanced prices ten per cent." "These combines are after us, sleeping or waking."—Cleve-land Plain Dealer.

Could Cure That.—Dr. Younger: "You are a little bit under weight. You don't eat enough." Mr. Mussel: "Nonsense If I were to eat more I'd have dyspesia." Dr. Younger: "I know, but that's my specialty, you know."—Philadelphia Press

Further Occupation.—"I see that you have explained a number of phenomena." 'Yes," said the scientist, placidly. "yhat will you do now?" 'I shall en deavor to elucidate my explanations."—Washington Star.

AN ORATORIC RECITAL.

Chatham Episcopal Institute Going Forward in Spite of the Fire.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHATHAM, VA., February 25,—Nothing daunts the spirit of the Chatham
Episcopal Institute. Notwithstanding the
fire last week, which burned the institute to the ground, school has begun
again with nearly the usualy number
of students, and lessons are progressing
with accustomed regularity. The oratoric
and physical recital announced by Mrs.
Woodwell for last Friday night, took
place as advertised, being given in, the
Opera House, to a crowded house.

The sweet old tale, "Cinderilla," was
given by the little ones, with all the
witcherie and apetomb of childish grace.
The minuet in the ball-room scene was
especially pretty.

The Sophomores, in the oratoric course,
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The Sophomores, in the oratoric course, gave two scenes from "Hamlet," with conscientious reading and sympathetic-interpretation. Miss Elizabeth Reid, "Ophelia;" Miss Reba. Turner, "King Claudius;" Miss Nadja. Fetts, "Queen Gertrude:" Miss Nradja. Fetts, "Queen Gertrude:" Miss Virginia Haile, "Lacrtes." Each one enthusiastic applause. Illustrations of "The Holy City," with its accessories of old world setting, Jewish costume and walving palms closed a programme, generally avowed to be the most successful ever given in the Opera House.

THREE SCORE HEAD LIVE STOCK BURNED

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CULPEPER, VA., February 25.—The arge and costly harn of Mr. Frank Horlarge and costly barn of Mr. Frank Florner, near Brandy Station, in this county,
with all its contents of live stock, hay,
oats, corn, harness and machinery, was
entirely destroyed by fire late this evening. Sixty-three head of stock, including a number of horses, and forty-eight
cows, were burned to death. The burning flesh could be smelled for a long distance. The building took some time to
burn, and the fire could be seen for ten
miles. The loss resulting from the fire
ls very great. The insurance will be 5—The force bill being fought over in the House, the habear corpus clause heing eapectally condemned by Republicans.

5—After walking up three flights of sairs to the Hall of Representatives at Springfield. Ill., Representatives at Springfield. Ill., Representatives Robert E. Logan, of Whiteside county, fell dead.

1|COLONIAL BALL AT WILLIAMSBURG

Given Under Auspices of United Daughters of Confederacy

COLLEGE GYMNASIUM

Opened With a Drill, in Which All the Ladies Take

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., February 25. most unique attraction and pleasing affair was the colonial ball, given Thursday night by the Williamsburg Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, dent; Mrs. Len Jones, vice-president and Mrs. Trevillan, honoroay president.

The ball was given in the college gymnasium, and was largely attended by the town people and students.

The gymnasium was beautifully and artistically draped in the flags and colors of the Confederacy, and with the brilof the Confederacy, and with the Brilliant coloring, the blaze of the electric lights and the quaint, old fashioned costumery of the Daughters, bedecked in colonial garb, and powdered pompadour, the scene and assemblage was one that drew again in living color the picturesque days of "Ye Ancient Capital."

YE OLDEN TIME.

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The spirit of the occasion was carried out in every detail. Every member of the chapter was present and all were garbed after the fashion of the ERMY colonial days, some of the ladies present wearing dresses that had been handed down from a generation of colonial dames.

which all the ladies took part. Issuing from the dressing rooms and marching two abreast, led by Mr. James T. Chrisdance, showing themselves to be as staid and graceful as the generations

Dunmore's mansion, in honor of the Confederate dead. The monument is to be erected at a cost of \$1,500, of which

a goodly portion was raised through the ball.

Among those present were Mrs. Lyon G. Tyler and Misses Julia and Lizzle Tyler, Mrs. T. J. Stubbs and Misses Lucy and Mas Stubbs, Misses Pattie, Kittle and Agnes Morecocke, Mrs. Hugh S. Bird, Miss Edith Smith, Mrs. Ellen Barnes and Miss Ellen Barnes, Miss Sadie Mahone, Miss Edna Brown, of Mississippi; Miss Nannie C. Davis, Miss Murphy, Mrs. Helen Leigh, Miss Bessie Lamb, Miss Emily Christian, Miss Bessie Lamb, Miss Emily Christian, Miss Jennie Christian, Mrs. Foster and Misses Mary and Lucile Foster, Mrs. Southall, Miss Lizzle Meade, Mrs. Booth, of The Grove; Miss Elizabeth Coleman, Mrs. Trevillan, Mrs. Geddle and Miss Catherine Geddy, Mrs. F. O'Keeffe, Mrs. Gregory Spencer, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Ned Leigh, Miss Lucy Valden, Miss Leiltia Warburton, Miss Sue Hundley, Miss Sherwell, of Williamspurg; Miss Virginia Braithwatte, Misses Florence and Garnett Sweeney, Mrs. Brooks and Misses Beulah and Edna Brooks and Misses Beulah and Ruffin, Misses Louise and Virginia Harrison, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Russell, of Scotland; and Mrs. Stone, and Messrs. James T. Christian, Francis and Tom Murphy, Francis O'Keeffe, George pnd Cyrus Hankins, Heflin, Durkee, Zachary, Small, A. C. Smith, Etheridge, Perkins, Sydney Hughes, Floyd Hughes, Channing Hall, Stone, Hugh S. Bird, Blanchard, West, Warner, Miller, Littleburg, Foster, Bowen, Savage, Coleman, Lacy, Riddick, Campbell, Tyler Ellis, Davis, Cadet Harris Booth, Mackreth and Master Johnson.

WAS IT THURMAN.

Franklin Boys Report a Stranger But No Arrest Made.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FRANKLIIN, VA., February 25.—There was a man in Franklin Friday night who greatly resembled Thurman, the supposed murderer of Dolson, in Norfolk some weeks ago, but for some unaccountable reason he was not put under arrest. It is thought by some who saw this man that he was the real Thurman. At about one or half-past one o'clock last night some boys were down at one of the restaurants, and in a joking way one of the young men exclaimed, "Thurman has been arrested!"

No sooner had he uttered the words when a man, who was a stranger to the boys, arose from his seat close-by, in a very nervous and shaky way, and seemed very much interested in the conversation about Thurman. The attention of the boys was then turned on this man, and the boys, who had seen the picture of Thurman. The stranger said he knew he rosembled Thurman, and stated that he had, been arrested for Thurman in Norfolk and held six hours on the charge which is against Thurman. He stard that he even had a suit of clothes like Thurmal's, but said that the only way to distinguish one from the other was that the moles on their faces were on opposite cheeks.

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It seems that they all went up to the hotel, and Mr. Bell, the sergeant, was 'phoned for at his residence. In the meantime, they talked on, and this supposed Thurman made no move to get away. He said his name was Leach, but gave no first name. He seemed to have plenty of money on his person, and exhibited a good-size roll, from which he said he would buy his ticket. He was then told that there was no train out until the next morning, and that he would have to walt over, but he said he was compelled to leave Franklin to-night and would catch a freight out, if nothing else. It could not be learned why there was no arrest made. He left Franklin on a Seaboard Air Line freight, going South.



Fortify Your System

against the attacks of disease. At this changeable season the human system must be in condition to meet the sudden changes from heat to cold and from wet to dry.

Fehr's Malt Tonic

may be depended upon. It purifies the blood, cleanses the system of all impurities, and gives you force and vitality to repel disease. It helps you from the very start.

FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS

FEHR'S MALT TONIC DEPT., Louisville, Ky.

City Book Club at a George Washington contest party. Invitations were issued to the ladies now guests in the hotel, who, with the regular club members, formed a happy throng. A Washington literary programme was supplied. The contest lay in answering a certain number of questions concerning Washington, the successful one to bear off the first prize, and the booby falling to Mrs. Beyer. Miss Elam, of Chase City, being first on the list, was presented a burnt-wood hatchet bearing G. W. with cherry ornamentations and handle tied with tri-color. Mrs. Beyer received the booby prize, a miniature hatchet appropriately decorated.

The following guests were present: Mrs. Boswell, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Maddux, Mrs. Whenton, Mrs. Heron, Mrs. Lucius Gregory, Mrs. Walton, Mrs. Pinch, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Dixon, with Misses Booth, Beyer, Fleming, Hawkes, Martin, Graham, Burwell, Jeffress and others.

LITERARY SOCIETIES. Hold Intermediate Celebration.

The Marriage of Kitty.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
HAMPDEN-SIDNEY, VA., February
25.—The Union and Philanthropic Literary Societies held their intermediate celebration in the college chapel Friday evening. Speedwell, Va., Union junior, subject "Fo-cahontas"; P. Tulane Atkinson, Philan-thropic junior, of Champe, Va., who spoke on "Stonewall Jackson"; H. J. Phiegar, Christianeburg, Va., who took as his sub-jent "Do Well Thy Task"; J. M. H. Filz-gerald, Philanthropic junior, of Black-stone who spoke on "Was"; F. Ch. jeat "Do Well Thy Task"; J. M. H. Eitzgerald, Philanthropic junior, of Blackstone, who spoke on "War"; E. C. Barnard, Union junior, of Roanoke, who addressed himself to "The Life of John
Hampden," and E. Grigg Elcan, Philanthropic senior, of Shepparo's, Va., who
discussed "The Spirit of Chivalry."
These speeches were of a very creditable order and indicate that the societies
are still doing the good work that they
have always dene.

After the exercises, the German Club

After the exercises, the German Club gave the prettlest programme dance that has been seen here for many a day. The music was furnished by Scarcoza's Orchestra, from Lynchburg, and was the most inspiring dance music heard here for a long time. At different times throughout the evening german figures were gracefully led by Mr. Robert Graham, of Graham's Forge, Va. A large number of visiting girls are on the "Hi," and were present at the dance. Among them were Miss Wilson, of Radford, Miss Wysor, of Radford; Miss Fan Harrson, of Amherst; Miss Rose Watkins, of South Boston; Miss Stratton, of Lewisburg, W. Va.; Miss McKinney, of Farmville; Miss Edmunds, of Farmville; Miss Morrison, of North Carolina; Miss Bolseaux, of Farmville; the Misses Richaruson, of Farmville; the Misses Brock, of Hamp-dan-Sidney; Miss Hattle Bugg, of Farm-ville.

ville.

To-night the Dramatic Club gave the Engl sn play "The Marriage of Kitty," which was very creditably rendered, Messrs, Atkinson, Boothe and Fleming being especially good.

After the performance there was a little dance at the Comity Club rooms.

OBSERVATION PART".

An Annual Hat Trimming Contest Was - Feature,

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WALKERTON, VA., Feb. 25.-Miss Ellen
Walker, of Mt. Etta, entertained in a
most delightful manner the young people of Walkerton at an "Observation
Party" on Friday hight. Besides the
observation there was a most amusing
hat-trimming contest, the young ladies
wearing the hats which were trimmed by
the young men, the most successful ones
being awarded prizes. Delicious refreshments were served, including lemon fee,
made from lemons grown on the tree of
the hostess. Mrs. Walker was assisted in
serving by Mrs. Stacy. Those present
were Miss Bessie Leonard, of Syracuse,
N. Y. Miss Maria Collins, of Bowling
Were Misses Worker are to Besse
McGeorghesses was to the Misses
McGeorghesses Walter Wilson,
C. C. Caldwell, Ben and William Walker,
Malcolm Burke, Charence Slimmons, Clyde
and Proter Vaughan, and T. McGeorge.
Mr. C. S. Stacy, of Ronceverte, W. Va.,
spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. G. Mr. C. S. Stacy, of Ronceverte, W. Va., spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. G. P. Stacy, who is spending the winter at her cottage in Walkerton.
Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Bagby, who expected to leave for Washington to-day for a month's stay, were detained by the illness of one of his patients.

UNWELCOME GUESTS.

Railroad Contractors Can Get No Place for Camps. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

MEHERRIN, VA., February 25.—The contractors for the Tidewater Railway on the Prince Edward side cannot get a place the Prince Edward side cannot get a place to locate their camps. A. and C. Wright, contractors, moved in sixty-five mules Wednesday from the works they have about completed in Brunswick country, and were refused a place for their headquarters by farmers along the line.

Up to this time they have been untable to find a suitable place to hang up. In some instances land-owners have forbade their even watering their stock on their premises. No trouble of this kind has been found in Lunenburg.

Every day brings new material and new men for construction. These parties will be strung out all along the line, and the entire contracts, with intervals of only a few miles, will be under construction.

The Lunenburg Lumber Company is extending their road several miles further south. When this extension is completed they will have a line of about sixteen miles. The output of their plants is steadily increasing.

DOUBLE TRACK LINE.

Southern to Begin Work Between Lynchburg and Lynch's Station.

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Washington County Party.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch). The Medicklenburg, the Chase Baturday afternoon entertained in the parlors of the Mecklenburg, the Chase parlors of the Mecklenburg, the Chase erry in the early spring.

HAVE NEW SHOPS

Marsh Fork Railway Will Connect Tidewater With Ohio

TILLMAN AND THE RATE BILL

American Syndicate Purchases

Russian Railroad for Two Hundred Million. The contract for the erection of shops

for the second division of the Atlantic awarded to the Pennsylvania Bridge Company, of Beaver Falls, Pa. The cost will execed \$400,000, and work is to be com-pleted by January 1, 1907. The new shops will be built at Waycross, Ga., and will employ 2,009 ment.

will employ 2,000 men.

The Manufacturers' Record announces the incorporation of the Marsh Fork Railway Company, in West Virginia, for the purpose of building an extension of the Tidewater Railway to the Ohlo River, at the mouth of the Great Kanawha River. The line will be approximately 100 miles long from Surveyor Station, in Raileth county, on the Deepwater Railway, such is the West Virginia end of the Tidewater route.

The officers of the company are William N. Page, president; George W. Imboden, vice-president; W. H. Evans, sec-

The remarkable increase of more than al, 1000,000 in the net earnings of the Baltimore and Ohlo for January is not to be attributed entirely to efforts to increase stocks of soft coal at tidewater and interior distributing points, for that process was going on equally in December. Moreover, the gross earnings for January although \$1,415,000 in excess of these of January a year ago, showed no such proportionate increase as net, hence much of the gain in net is due to better operating results.

Of the \$2,413,000 gain in net during the first seven months of the fiscal year, January was responsible for forty-five percent. The average gain is net during the first six months was, in round numbers, \$220,000, as compared with \$1,093,600 in January. The increase in net for the fiscal year thus far reported is equivalent to 1.9 per cent, on the common stock. Baltimore and Ohio's earnings have evidently been influenced since January list by receipt of new equipment. The or-

ist by receipt of new equipment. The order for 250 locomotives, placed early last summer, has been practically delivered, a large number of the engines having been delivered during January. Freight cars, of which 10,000 were ordered at the same time, are still being delivered.

Should the current year bring any such crops as did last, and at the same time the iron and steel industry continue as active, this equipment will leave the comapny again short of the equipment necessary to handle its business. For the present no important equipment orders are contemplated.

WOMAN'S COLLEGE FUND.

Committee to Begin Canvass Work Lynchburg at Once.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., February 25.—A

committee, which was appointed by the
Board of Trade, will on Monday begin a

canvass of the city for the purpose of
raising the sum of \$10,000 for the Randolph-Macon Woman's College, which,
when raised, will be the means of securing not only the donation of \$20,000 by
Andrew Carnegie, but a total expenditure
during the coming summer of \$55,000 for
the enlargement of the college. A science have at the cost of \$20,000, an

new dormitory at cost of \$40,000, and
collargements to the chapel at cost of
\$5,000 will be started at once. This will
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HOT SPRINGS, VA., February 25.—
The supervisors of Bath county have awarded to Mr. Tate Sterrett, of tus place, the contract for repairing the approach to Jackson's river bridge, which has long been in need of attention.

Mr. C. W. Richardson, of this place, was also appointed a commissioner to examine the steel bridge recently erected over Back Creek near Mount Grove, and make any necessary repairs.

The contract for building the Southern approach to Jackson's River steel bridge near Gilletts, which is nearly completed, was awarded to G. N. Woodzette for the sum of \$547.

The contract for the Northern approach to same bridge, was awarded to B. A. Cleek, J. W. Cleek and J. C. Cleek, for the sum of \$347.

Mr. Fred Sierry, manager of the Virginia Hot Springs Company, has purchased from Mr. Barton French, the "Hamilton Cottage" at this place, for \$23,000, and will make an immediate improvement of from \$5,000 to \$8,000.

Mrs. Herman, wife of H. T. Herman, merchant of Healing Springs, who is now in St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, and who recently underwent three very dangerous operations, is reported out of danger.